

Housing Select Committee			
Title	Update on Approved Designation of the Additional Licensing Scheme for Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMO's)		
Key decision	Yes	Item no	7
Wards	All		
Contributors	Executive Director for Customer Services		
Class	Part 1	25 October 2016	

Reasons for lateness and urgency

This report is late due to the need to ensure Housing Select Committee receive the most up to date information regarding the Additional Licensing Scheme. It is urgent as there is no other occasion for Committee to consider the report attached in Appendix 1 prior to it being considered by Mayor and Cabinet on 9th November 2016.

1. Purpose and Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask the Housing Select Committee to note the report attached as Appendix 1 for Mayor & Cabinet on November 9 2016.
- 1.2 Appendix 1 seeks to clarify the designation approved by Mayor and Cabinet on 2 March 2016. The title and body of the report stipulated the requirement that the additional license scheme would include HMOs above and below commercial premises; however the recommendations agreed above only. The intention is that the additional licensing scheme covers HMOs above commercial dwellings only, which is in line with the statutory consultation.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Housing Select Committee is recommended to note the recommendations of the report Appendix 1.

3. Financial implications

- 3.1 The financial implications are laid out in section 8 of Appendix 1.

4. Legal implications

- 4.1 The legal implications are laid out in section 9 of Appendix 1.

5. Crime and disorder implications

- 5.1 There are no specific Crime and Disorder implications arising from this report.

6. Equalities implications

6.1. An Equalities Analysis Assessment has been carried out.

7. Environmental implications

7.1 There are no specific environmental implications arising from this report.

8. Conclusion

8.1. Following the subsequent implementation of the original plan being put into place there have been several enquiries from Landlords, Landlord Associations, Letting Agents and other London Boroughs as to the exact meaning of the stated designation.

8.2. In light of this, officers wish to clarify the types of properties to which the designation order will apply, namely all Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO's), above commercial premises shall be captured in this designation.

9. Background documents and originator

9.1. Appendix 1 – Mayor and Cabinet report 9 November 2016.

9.2. If you require further information about this report please contact Antoinette Stasaitis on 0208 314 9340 or Andy Grant on 0208 314 9248.